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A Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Blackfalds was held on June 24, 2025, at 5018 Waghorn Street in Council Chambers, commencing at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Jamie Hoover
Deputy Mayor Edna Coulter
Councillor Marina Appel
Councillor Laura Svab
Councillor Brenda Dennis
Councilor Jim Sands

ATTENDING

Kim Isaak, Chief Administrative Officer
Justin de Bresser, Director of Corporate Services
Rick Kreklewich, Director of Community Services
Darolee Bouteiller, Finance Manager
Jolene Tejkl, Planning & Development Manager
Rick Yelland-Kewin, Public Works Manager
Renan Bravo, IT Technician
Danielle Nealon, Executive & Legislative Coordinator

REGRETS

None

MEDIA

None

OTHERS PRESENT

None

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover welcomed everyone to the Regular Council Meeting of June 24, 2025, and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

TREATY SIX LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

A Land Acknowledgement was read to recognize that the Town of Blackfalds is on Treaty Six Territory.

ADOPTION OF AGENDAS

152/25 Councillor Svab moved That Council adopt the Regular Agenda for June 24, 2025, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

153/25 Councillor Sands moved That Council adopt the Consent Agenda for June 24, 2025, as presented, containing:

- **Declaration of No Interest** (*conflict of duty and interest, pecuniary or other*)
- **Adoption of Minutes**
 - Regular Council Meeting Minutes - June 10, 2025
 - Standing Committee of Council Meeting Minutes - June 16, 2025
- **Council Reports**
 - Mayor Hoover
 - Deputy Mayor Coulter
 - Councillor Appel
 - Councillor Svab
 - Councillor Dennis
 - Councillor Sands

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- **Administrative Reports**
 - Report for Council, CAO Report - June 2025
 - Report for Council, Implications of New Provincial Bills
 - Report for Council, BOLT KPI Report Information - May 2025
- **Boards, Committee and Commission Minutes and/or Reports**
 - Family and Community Support Services Board Meeting Minutes - April 10, 2025
 - Library Board Meeting Minutes - May 6, 2025
- **Information**
 - Library Administrators Report - May 2025
 - City of Lacombe Council Highlights - June 9, 2025
 - Lacombe County Council Highlights - June 12, 2025
- **Correspondence**
None

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARING

None

DELEGATION

None

BUSINESS

Request for Decision, Bylaw 1337.25 - Valley Ridge Phase 6B Redistricting

Manager Tejkl brought forward Bylaw 1337.25 - Valley Ridge Phase 6B Redistricting for Council's consideration of First Reading.

- 154/25** Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council give First Reading to Bylaw 1337.25 – Pt. NW 27-39-27-W4M Redistricting, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 155/25** Councillor Sands moved That a Public Hearing date be set for July 22, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, T15 Tandem Truck Replacement

Manager Yelland-Kewin brought forward an emergency request for replacing the T15 Tandem Truck.

- 156/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council authorize Administration to proceed with the emergency purchase of a new tandem truck from Tenco inclusive of all mounted accessories as an emergency purchase for the price of \$339,000 plus GST, funded from the General Capital Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Bylaw 1333.25 - Elections Bylaw

Coordinator Nealon presented the Elections Bylaw 1333.25 for Council's consideration of Second and Third Reading.

- 157/25** Councillor Dennis moved That Council give Second Reading to Bylaw 1333.25, Elections Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 158/25** Councillor Sands moved That Council give Third Reading to Bylaw 1333.25, Elections Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Request for Decision, Bylaw 1339.25 - Council Committee Bylaw

Following the recommendation from the Standing Committee of Council on June 16, 2025, CAO Isaak brought forward Bylaw 1339.25, being the Council Committee Bylaw for First Reading and requested Council's direction regarding gathering feedback on the Bylaw from the Committees.

- 159/25** Councillor Appel moved That Council give First Reading to Bylaw 1339.25 - Council Committee Bylaw, as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 160/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council direct Administration to circulate a copy of Bylaw 1339.25 - Council Committee Bylaw to the Council Committees for their feedback and input.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Bylaw 1340.25 - Municipal Library Board Bylaw

Following the recommendation from the Standing Committee of Council on June 16, 2025, CAO Isaak brought forward Bylaw 1340.25, being the Municipal Library Board Bylaw for Council's consideration of First, Second and Third Reading.

- 161/25** Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council give First Reading to Bylaw 1340.25 - Municipal Library Board Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 162/25** Councillor Sands moved That Council give Second Reading to Bylaw 1340.25 - Municipal Library Board Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 163/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council give unanimous consent to move to Third Reading of Bylaw 1340.25 - Municipal Library Board Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 164/25** Councillor Appel moved That Council give Third Reading to Bylaw 1340.25 - Municipal Library Board Bylaw, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Broadway Reservoir Upgrade Funding Agreement with Lacombe County

CAO Isaak presented the Broadway Reservoir Upgrade Funding Agreement with Lacombe County for Council's consideration and authorization.

- 165/25** Councillor Dennis moved That Council authorize the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer to enter into the Broadway Reservoir Upgrade Funding Agreement with the County of Lacombe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Alberta Community Partnership Program – Lacombe Lake Management Plan

CAO Isaak requested Council consider endorsing the County of Lacombe's grant application for the development of the Lacombe Lake Management Plan.

- 166/25** Councillor Appel moved That Council endorse the County of Lacombe's grant application to the Municipal Affairs - Alberta Community Partnership Program under the Intermunicipal Collaboration component for the development of the Lacombe Lake Management Plan in conjunction with the Town and the City of Lacombe.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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Request for Decision, 2024 Surplus Allocation

Director de Bresser requested Council's consideration to allocate the 2024 surplus and approve transferring it into reserves.

- 167/25** Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council approve the transfer of the 2024 Surplus in the amount of \$344,940 to the General Capital Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 168/25** Councillor Sands moved That Council approve the transfer of \$1,370,620 to the Fire Building Capital Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 169/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council approve the transfer of \$1,029,506 to the Land Capital Reserve.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Tax Recovery Public Auction

Manager Bouteiller presented Council with a request to consider setting a tax sale date and establish conditions for a public auction on a property to recover unpaid taxes owed to the Town.

- 170/25** Councillor Sands moved That a Tax Sale date be set for October 2, 2025, at 10 AM in the Council Chambers, at 5018 Waghorn Street, Blackfalds, Alberta, for property Lot 3, Block 2, Plan 7821776.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 171/25** Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That the conditions of the sale be set as 10% deposit plus complete payment within 30 days from the date of sale.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 172/25** Councillor Appel moved That the Reserve bid for the property be set at the Estimated Market Value of \$275,000.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Planet Youth Initiative

Director Kreklewich brought forward the Planet Youth Initiative for Council's consideration and direction.

- 173/25** Councillor Svab moved That Council accept the Planet Youth Initiative report for information.

CARRIED

Opposed: Mayor Hoover

Request for Decision, 89th Annual Ponoka Stampede Parade

Coordinator Nealon brought forward an invitation for the 89th Annual Ponoka Stampede Parade for Council to designate a dignitary to attend.

- 174/25** Councillor Appel moved That Council designate Mayor Hoover to attend the 89th Annual Ponoka Stampede Parade that will take place on Friday, June 27, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Request for Decision, Annual Lacombe Days Breakfast & Parade

Coordinator Nealon brought forward an invitation for the Annual Lacombe Days Breakfast & Parade for Council to designate a dignitary to attend.

- 175/25** Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council designate Councillor Appel and Councillor Svab to attend the Annual Lacombe Days Breakfast & Parade that will take place on Saturday, July 12, 2025.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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NOTICES OF MOTION

None

RECESS

Mayor Hoover called for a five-minute recess at 8:21 p.m.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING RETURNED TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover called the Regular Council Meeting back to order at 8:27 p.m.

CONFIDENTIAL

- **Ice Plant - Access to Information Act (ATI) Section 29(1) – Advice from Officials**
- **Land Purchase - Access to Information Act (ATI) Section 29(1) – Advice from Officials**

176/25 Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council move to a closed session commencing at 8:27 p.m. in accordance with Section 197(2) of the *Municipal Government Act* to discuss matters exempt from disclosure under Section 29(1) of the *Access to Information Act*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Closed Session Attendance: Mayor Jamie Hoover, Deputy Mayor Edna Coulter, Councillor Marina Appel, Councillor Laura Svab, Councillor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, CAO Kim Isaak, Director Justin de Bresser, Director Rick Kreklewich and Foreman Brent McAuley.

177/25 Deputy Mayor Coulter moved That Council move to come out of the closed session at 9:31 p.m.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING RETURNED TO ORDER

Mayor Hoover called the Regular Council Meeting back to order at 9:31 p.m.

Regular Council Meeting Attendance: Mayor Jamie Hoover, Deputy Mayor Edna Coulter, Councillor Marina Appel, Councillor Laura Svab, Councillor Brenda Dennis, Councillor Jim Sands, CAO Kim Isaak and Director Justin de Bresser.

- **Land Purchase - Access to Information Act (ATI) Section 29(1) – Advice from Officials**

178/25 Councillor Sands moved That Council direct Administration to proceed as directed in-camera.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hoover adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 9:31 p.m.

-Original Signed-

Jamie Hoover, Mayor

-Original Signed-

Kim Isaak, Chief Administrative Officer